

Please delete the paragraph bridging pages 24 and 25 and insert therefor:

A2 In addition, as long as the protection cardboard 32 satisfies either one of the Bekk smoothness conditions described above, materials and other physical properties thereof are not particularly limited. For example, wood pulp, natural fiber such as hemp, synthetic pulp obtained from linear macromolecule such as polyolefin or the like, regenerated cellulose, or the like, can be used solely or in combination as materials for the protection cardboard 32. Particularly, the protection cardboard 32 can be produced at low cost by selecting low cost materials such as wood pulp or natural fiber. More specifically, the protection cardboard 32 having density of 0.72 g/cm^3 and basic weight of 640 g/m^2 , which is produced by using stuff obtained by beating material waste paper, adding a sizing agent of 0.1% of a cardboard weight and a strengthener of 0.2% of the cardboard weight to the stuff diluted to a density of 4%, and further adding aluminum sulfate to the stuff until pH becomes 5.0, can be included, however, of course, this is not to limit the protection cardboard 32 of the present invention.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claims 19-22 as follows:

19. (New) The material of Claim 1, wherein said one surface of said material has a Bekk smoothness from 3 seconds to 900 seconds.

A3 20. (New) The package of Claim 2, wherein said one surface of said packaging material has a Bekk smoothness from 3 seconds to 900 seconds.

21. (New) The material of Claim 7, wherein said non-contact surface has a Bekk smoothness from 3 seconds to 55 seconds.

22. (New) The package structure of Claim 13, wherein said packaging material further comprises a noncontact surface opposing said contact surface, and further wherein said noncontact surface has a Bekk smoothness from 3 seconds to 55 seconds.